Reform of the Assembly.

29. At the Investiture Durbar, His Highness the Maha Raja was graciously pleased to announce a generous offer to his people that the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly would be placed on a statutory basis with enlarged functions and powers; and I feel sure that this Assembly has reason to be gratified that its representations for revision of the constitution and powers of this popular institution have met with sympathetic response from His Highness. The scheme of reforms in this direction is being carefully worked out and will be put into effect with the utmost possible expedition.

Conclusion.

30. Travancore has passed through difficult times before and difficult times are ahead of us. But we can feel confident that His Highness's reign, which has so lately commenced under good auspices, will bring continued prosperity and advancement to the people of the State. We all join in wishing His Highness a long and happy life."

The Dewan then mentioned that communications had been received from Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar, Legal and Constitutional Adviser to His Highness the Maha Raja, the Agent to the Governor General, Madras States, and Dewan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar and Dewan Bahadurs T. Raghaviah, C. S. I. and V. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar, former Dewans of Travancore, conveying their greetings to the Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned at 12-50 P. M. to meet again at 11-30 A. M. on Friday, the 11th March, 1932.

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